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RE: Request to be admitted as a party in the contested case hearing for CDUP HA-3568 for the Thirty Meter Telescope in the Mauna Kea Lands, Ka'ohē, Hamakua District, Island of Hawai'i, TMK (3) 4-4-015:009

I'm requesting to be admitted as a party to the above contested case hearing pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules §13-1-31. This request should be granted because: (1) Requestor has a property interest in the lands of Mauna Kea through the exercise of Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practices; (2) Requestor will be affected by the proposed Thirty Meter Telescope project and has an interest in the proceedings that are clearly distinguishable from the general public; (3) Requestor has a substantial interest in the proceedings; (4) Requestor's participation will substantially assist the board in its decision making; (5) Requestor's position is not substantially the same as any existing parties to the proceedings; and (6) Requestor's participation will add substantially new relevant information and will not make the proceedings inefficient and unmanageable.

Requestor's specific, substantial interests in the contested case proceedings also consists as follows: I am a kumu hula my practice is directly connected to Mauna Kea; as a kumu hula my haumana also participate in hula and cultural activities related to the mauna. I am a Native Hawaiian, descended of the native inhabitants of Hawai'i prior to 1778. The piko of my keiki are rooted on the mauna in the tradition of my people. TMT will disrupt my cultural practices and the practices of my haumana who are fifth generation practitioners. TMT will directly violate the area consecrated to hold the piko of my keiki.

Ana Nawahine-Kaho'opi'i